Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, High winds and heavy snows in western South Dakota have created severe blizzard conditions beginning on March 11, 1988; and,

WHEREAS, The blizzard caused closure of roads, isolation of travelers and residences, loss of power and communications, and medical emergencies; and,

WHEREAS, These conditions have resulted in a threat to the health and safety of people in the affected areas; and,

WHEREAS, The resources of state government are necessary to support Ellsworth Air Force Base and local government in responding to this emergency:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under the provisions of SDCL 33-15-8, otherwise known as the Emergency and Disaster Service Law, do hereby declare a State of Emergency to exist in the stricken counties of western South Dakota and authorize such functions of state government as necessary to effect the relief and recovery.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED, That the resources available to state government will be utilized under the coordination of the state Division of Emergency and Disaster Service, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, in support of local government efforts in the protection of lives and property in the affected areas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Eight

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE